

LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **February 11, 2003**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 14

CONSENT: **X**

REGULAR:

CLOSED SESSION:

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

(Confidential)

ITEM TITLE: **Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) - Consolidated Grants Award Program**

RECOMMENDATION: Appropriate \$21,504 to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund, with resources of \$10,752 from the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services, and \$10,752 from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies to purchase Six (6) Zoll fully automatic defibrillators.

SUMMARY: The Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services periodically awards grant funding to assist career and volunteer EMS agencies in obtaining/maintaining emergency vehicles and equipment; providing EMS management, leadership, and advanced life support training; and achieving other goals that support the enhancement of citizen and community EMS services. This grant is a continuation of such endeavors.

The purchase of six (6) Zoll fully automatic defibrillators will allow the replacement of a like number of older defibrillator units from first line service. Automatic defibrillators provide guidance to the user during the provision of CPR related services, and this type of defibrillator is easier to use and requires less training. These units are typically utilized by engine company personnel. Complete replacement of all the Department's older semi-automatic defibrillators will be accomplished with this purchase.

PRIOR ACTION(S): February 4, 2003 Finance Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT: Non-recurring appropriation from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies. Additionally, repair costs associated with these older units should be reduced.

CONTACT(S): Cecil V. Martinette, Jr., Fire Chief
William G. McChesney, Fire Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S): Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED That \$21,504 is appropriated to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund, with resources in the amount of \$10,752 from the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services, and \$10,752 from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies, to purchase six (6) Zoll fully automatic defibrillators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Financial Services Director is authorized to make such temporary loans from the General Fund to the City/Federal/State Aid Projects Fund as are necessary to fund this grant.

Introduced:

Adopted:

Certified:

Clerk of Council

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